

## Volunteer Edmonton News—April 14, 2008

### National Volunteer Week Items

To celebrate National Volunteer Week, Volunteer Edmonton is able to provide local organizations with Volunteer Canada posters and certificates, and “Volunteers are Stars” bookmarks, thanks to Volunteer Alberta and the Wild Rose Foundation. If you haven’t had the chance to pick up items for your volunteers, we still have posters and bookmarks available. Quantities are limited. Please email [voled@volunteeredmonton.com](mailto:voled@volunteeredmonton.com) and we’ll send you a short form to complete to get these items.

### CSGVP Funding Secured

Good news for the sector—funding has been secured for the Canadian Survey on Giving and Participating. Thank you to all the organizations who took the time to voice their opposition to Industry Minister Jim Prentice! Visit [www.volunteer.ca/en/policyissues/csgvp](http://www.volunteer.ca/en/policyissues/csgvp) to read more about the survey.

### Strengthening Volunteer Boards - Workshop

On Saturday, May 10, 2008 the Resource Centre for Voluntary Organizations and the Board Development program will be hosting a workshop for board members wanting to learn more about their role in governing the organization and learning to develop policies that will help the board make consistent decisions. Visit [www.rcvo.org/events\\_files/events.html](http://www.rcvo.org/events_files/events.html) for registration details.

### Engage Page – Client Profiles

To help attract donors and volunteers to the nonprofit/voluntary sector, *Engage* will be profiling client volunteers. By putting faces and names to services that are being delivered by nonprofit organizations, this may reinforce to the general public that there are real people out there who need real help. If your organization has client volunteers who would be interested in sharing their experience, contact Shari Narine at [engage@thejournal.canwest.com](mailto:engage@thejournal.canwest.com). Participation requires photo of the client, client’s name, information, services client is receiving, how the client is benefiting from the services and the organization’s information. Organizations are welcomed to submit up to three clients.

### Check out the Community Leadership Newsletter

Subscribe to the Community Leadership newsletter for information, tips and advice related to leadership development in Alberta. This newsletter is a result of a partnership between community organizations and Libraries, Community and Voluntary Services Branch (LCVS) – Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Wild Rose Foundation, Tourism, Parks, Recreation and Culture (now Culture and Community Spirit). To read past issues check out [http://www.municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/mc\\_leadership\\_training.cfm](http://www.municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/mc_leadership_training.cfm)

### 2008 Canadian Living Me to We Awards

Nominate an individual in your life that has made a significant difference to your community and changed the lives of others through their selfless acts of compassion and kindness. Categories are divided into Youth (12 and under), Youth (13 to 17), Social Action, Educator and In the Community. Visit [www.metowe.com](http://www.metowe.com) to read more about the award and past winners. Nominations close April 25, 2008.

### FREE item from Royal Alexandra Hospital

The Royal Alexandra Hospital is retiring a LOWREY ELECTRIC ORGAN, with bench. This musical instrument measures 109cm wide x 94cm high x 59cm deep. If you’re interested and would like to arrange a pick up, call Susan de Seguin in Volunteer Services at (780) 735-4430.

### FREE Computer Monitors from Girl Guides of Canada

Girl Guides of Canada is giving away five computer monitors in working condition. Three monitors are Dell models, one is a DayTek and one is an Optiquest. They are all 100-240 V., 60-50 Hz. The Dell models are 1.4A, the Daytek is 1.2-.6A and the Optiquest is 2.5A. Most are 15" screens. Contact Gerry Hippard at (780) 451-2263 for more information or to arrange a pick up.